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File

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: S. MIKAMI
Serial No.: 10/743,727
Filed: December 24, 2003
For: METHOD, APPARATUS AND COMPUTER READABLE
MEDIUM FOR MANAGING REPLICATION OF BACK-UP
OBJECT
Group: 2167
Examiner: K. Lu

REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 27, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 27, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 27, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.